APPLICATION CHECKLIST

FALL 2020 UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

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☐ Application
Visit http://www.soka.edu/apply to start your application. After submitting your application, manage your checklist on your GoSoka! Account.

☐ Non-refundable application fee
$45 for paper application and $30 for the Common Application or Soka Online Application. The application fee can be paid through the Common Application or your GoSoka! Account. Common Application, College Board and NACAC fee waivers are accepted.

☐ High school and college/university transcripts
Transcripts must show all coursework completed.

All coursework completed outside of the U.S. must be sent to IERF (http://www.ierf.org) for conversion into U.S. grade equivalents (There is a separate fee and time requirement for this service so please plan accordingly).

☐ SAT with Essay and/or ACT with Writing examination scores
The Essay exam is required for SAT and the Writing exam is required for ACT.

Official results/scores of the SAT and ACT examination must be sent directly to Soka University by the testing agency. Our SAT code is 4066 and our ACT code is 0467.

The name used for your SAT and/or ACT examinations must be your legal name that you use on your admission application.

☐ English proficiency
Any applicant whose native language is not English is required to submit a TOEFL score report. Soka University requires the TOEFL iBT and recommends a minimum score of 80.

☐ Two [academic] letters of recommendation
Electronic recommendation forms can be sent to your recommenders through the Soka Online Application or the Common Application. The official recommender form is also available at http://www.soka.edu/admission.

☐ Two mandatory essays – each essay must be 500-750 words in length, double spaced
 Mandatory essay question 1: During January block, Soka students participate in a Learning Cluster or research seminar where students work in teams with faculty to propose, research, and model constructive approaches to local, regional and/or global issues. What question would you investigate during a Learning Cluster? Describe why this topic is one you are passionate about and how you envision solving or supporting this particular issue.

Mandatory essay question 2: In today’s world, what is your purpose in seeking a liberal arts education? Among the many fine colleges and universities you might attend, how do you think SUA could help you fulfill that purpose?

Optional question: Do you have any special circumstances that you would like Soka University to take into consideration when reviewing your application? Please be concise. Essay should not be more than a paragraph.

☐ List of extracurricular activities
Completing the Activities section of the Soka Online Application or Common Application fulfills this requirement. A custom list may be uploaded to your GoSoka! Account.

Please note: Within 3 business days of receiving your application, Soka University will send you a username and password via email with instructions for logging into our GoSoka! system. It is your responsibility to ensure that all of your documents are received in a timely manner. Soka does not accept faxed, emailed or late documents. All information is subject to change without notice. Visit www.soka.edu/admission for updates.

You can mail your documents directly to Soka at:
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Attention: Admission
1 University Drive
Aliso Viejo, CA 92656

If you have any questions, you can contact us via email at: admission@soka.edu or call us at 888.600.SOKA

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